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Sir:

During the pendency of the priority application the Finnish Patent Office cited WO 97/15713 which corresponds to co-pending U.S. application serial no. 09/051,678 filed April 14, 1998 (atty. dkt. 30-471), and FI 10230 which corresponds to U.S. application serial no. 08/925,321 filed September 8, 1997 (atty. dkt. 30-336), to which applications attention is directed, as well as to all the prior art cited therein. The U.S. applications are, of course, in the English language. Also see the discussion of prior art on the first two pages of the specification.

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